

**Fig. 1**  
**(Prior Art)**

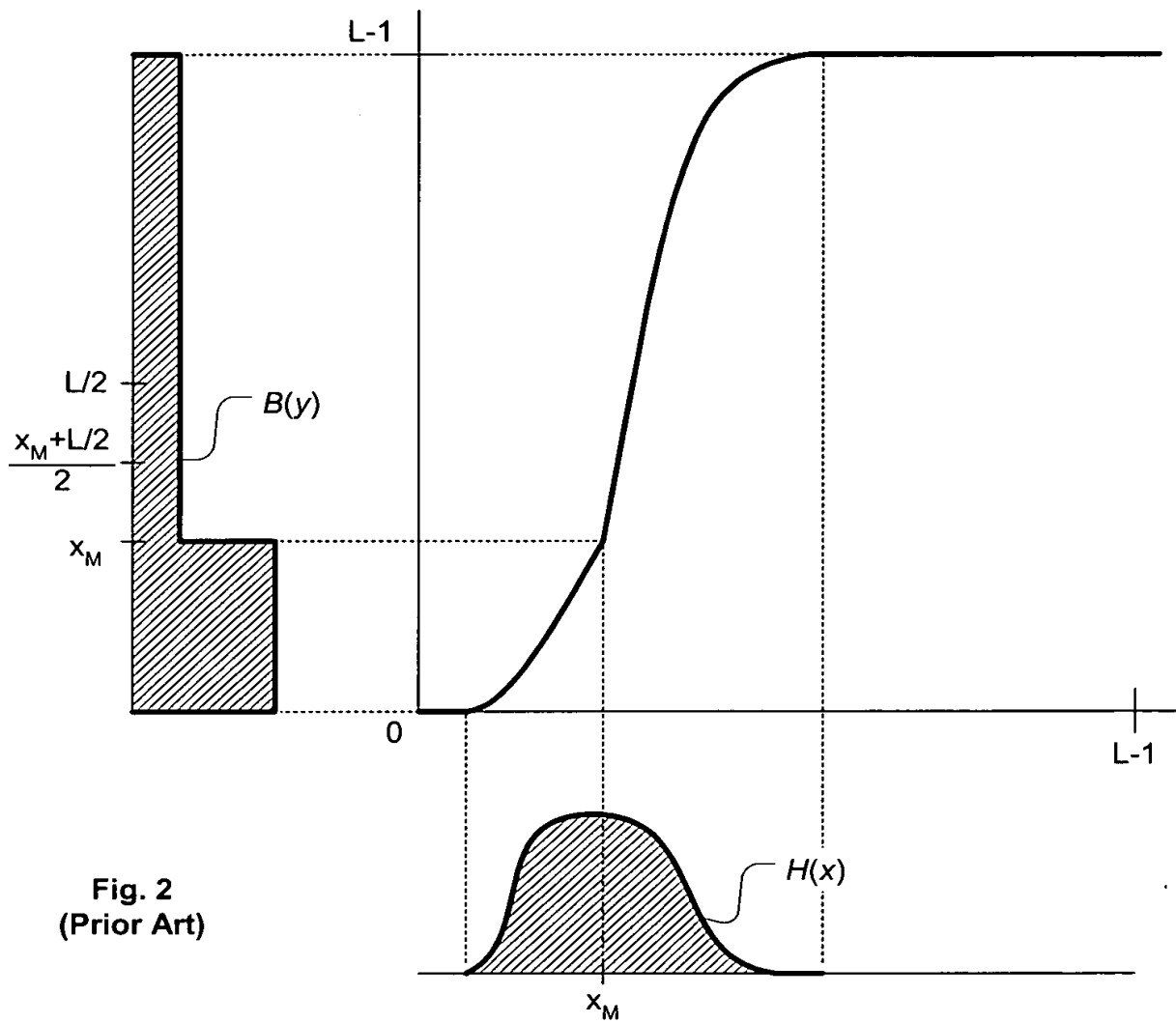


Fig. 2  
(Prior Art)

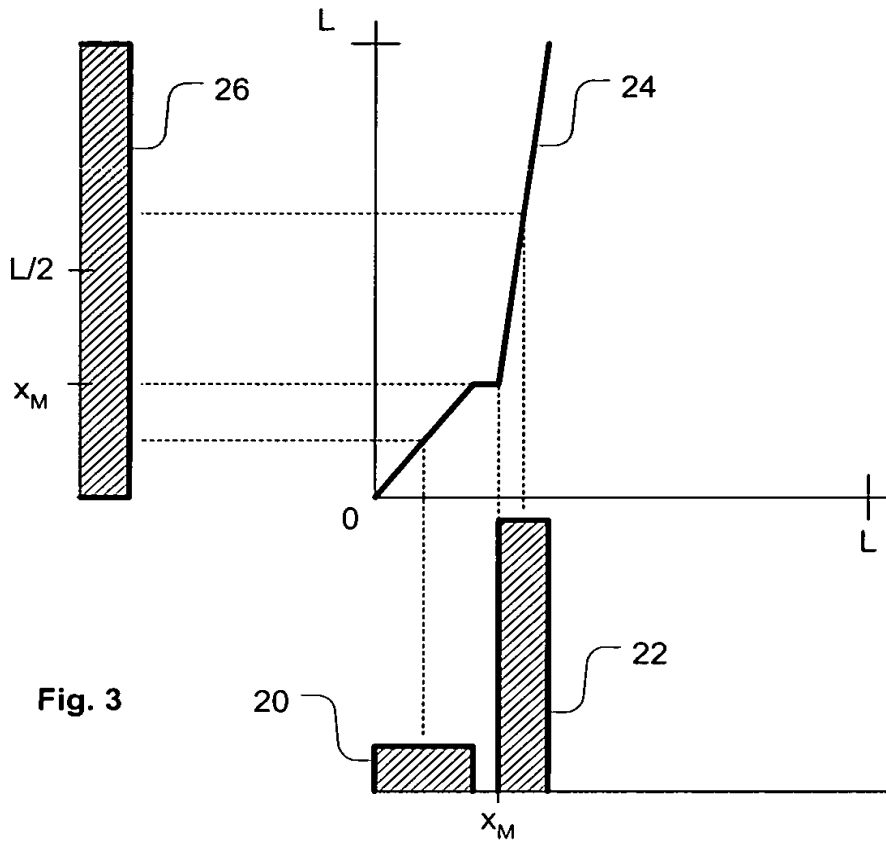


Fig. 3

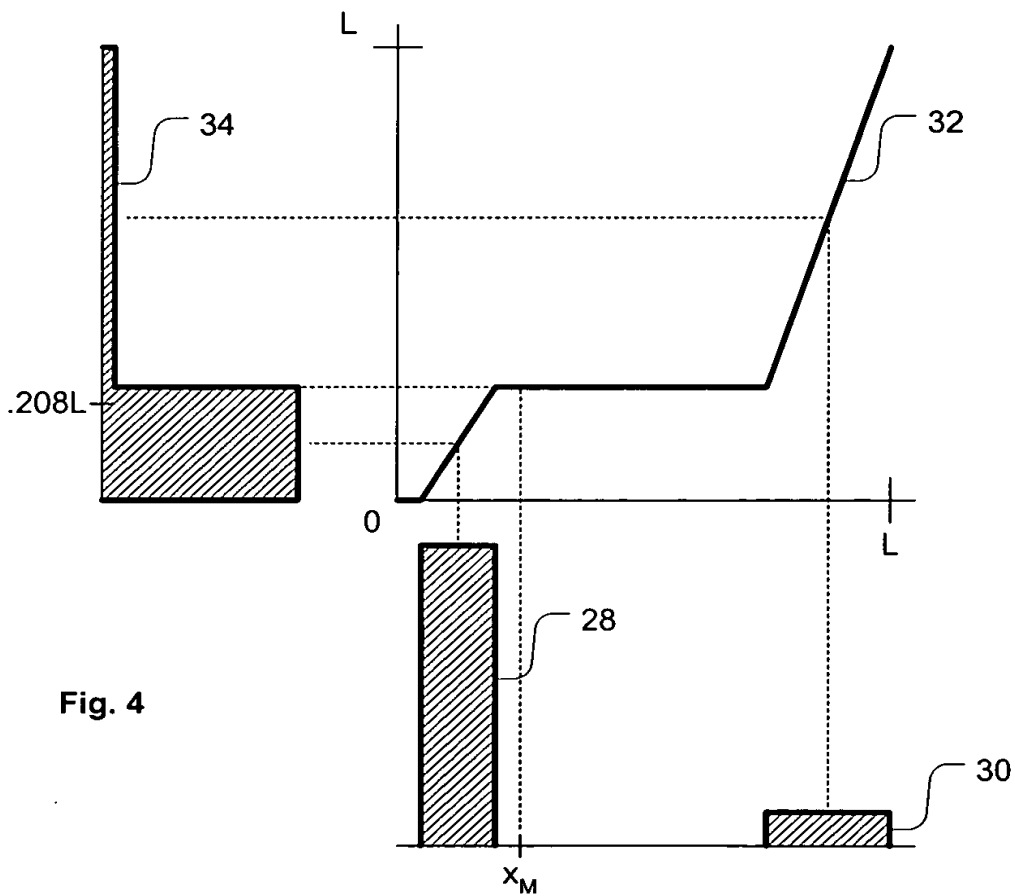


Fig. 4

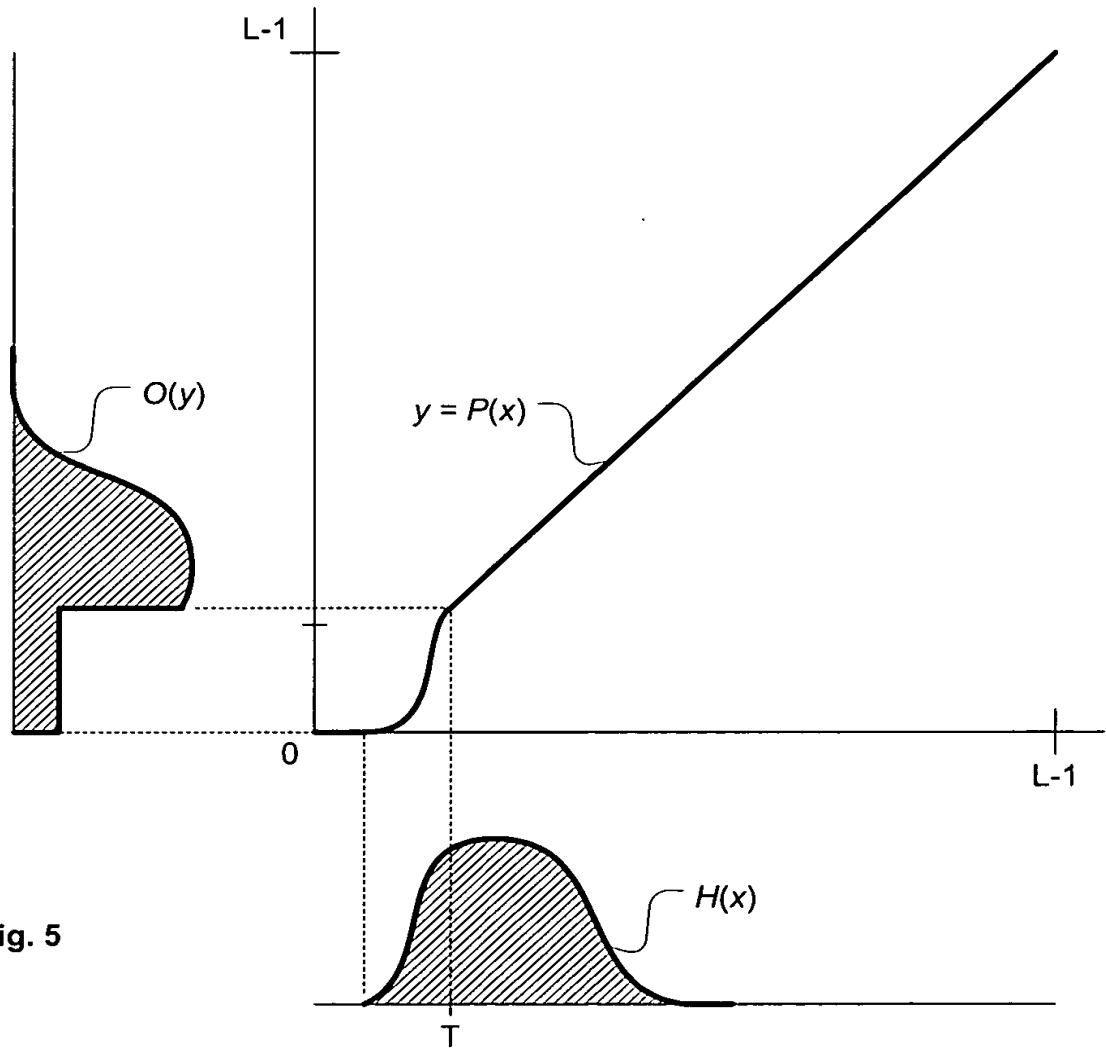


Fig. 5

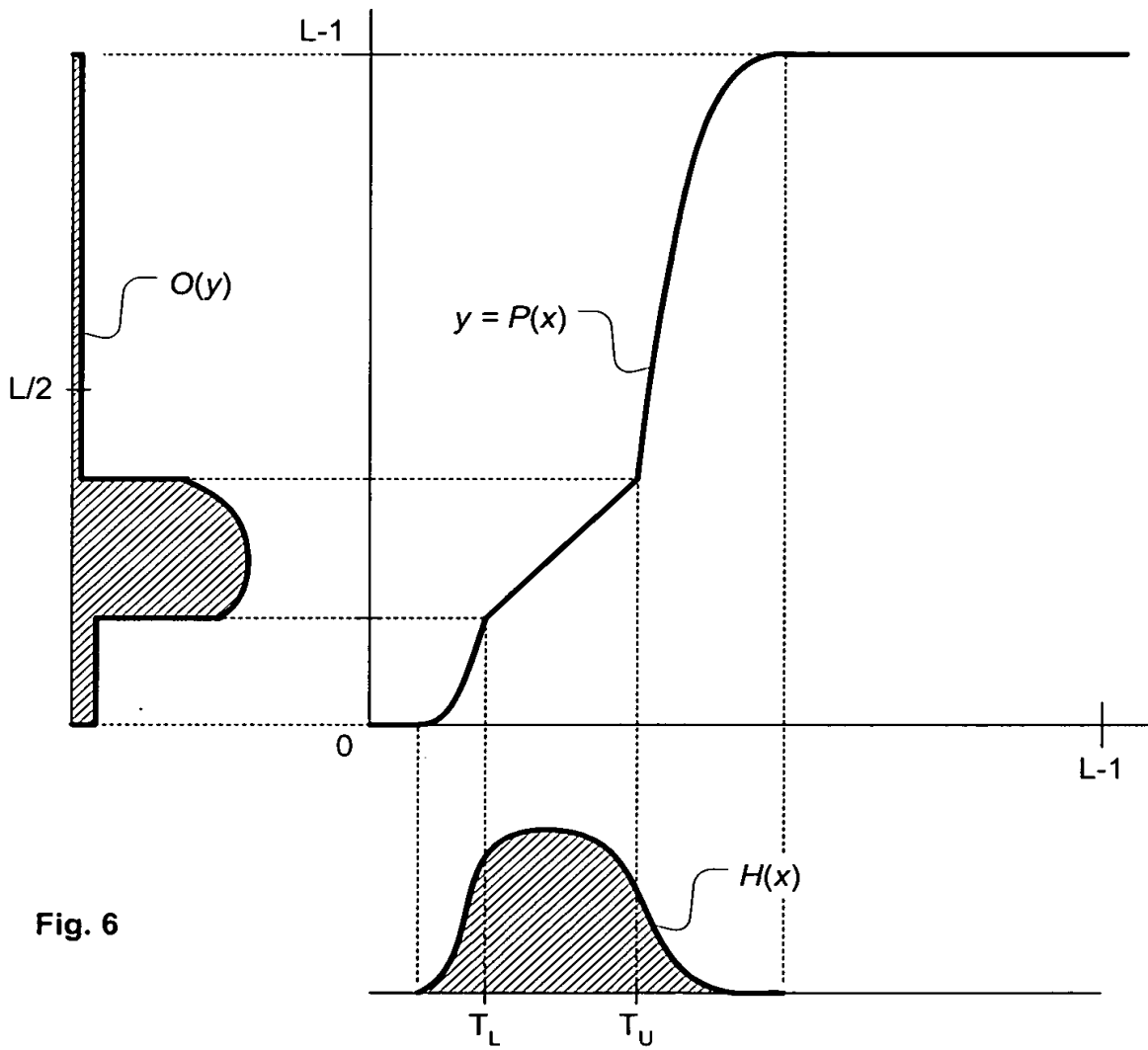
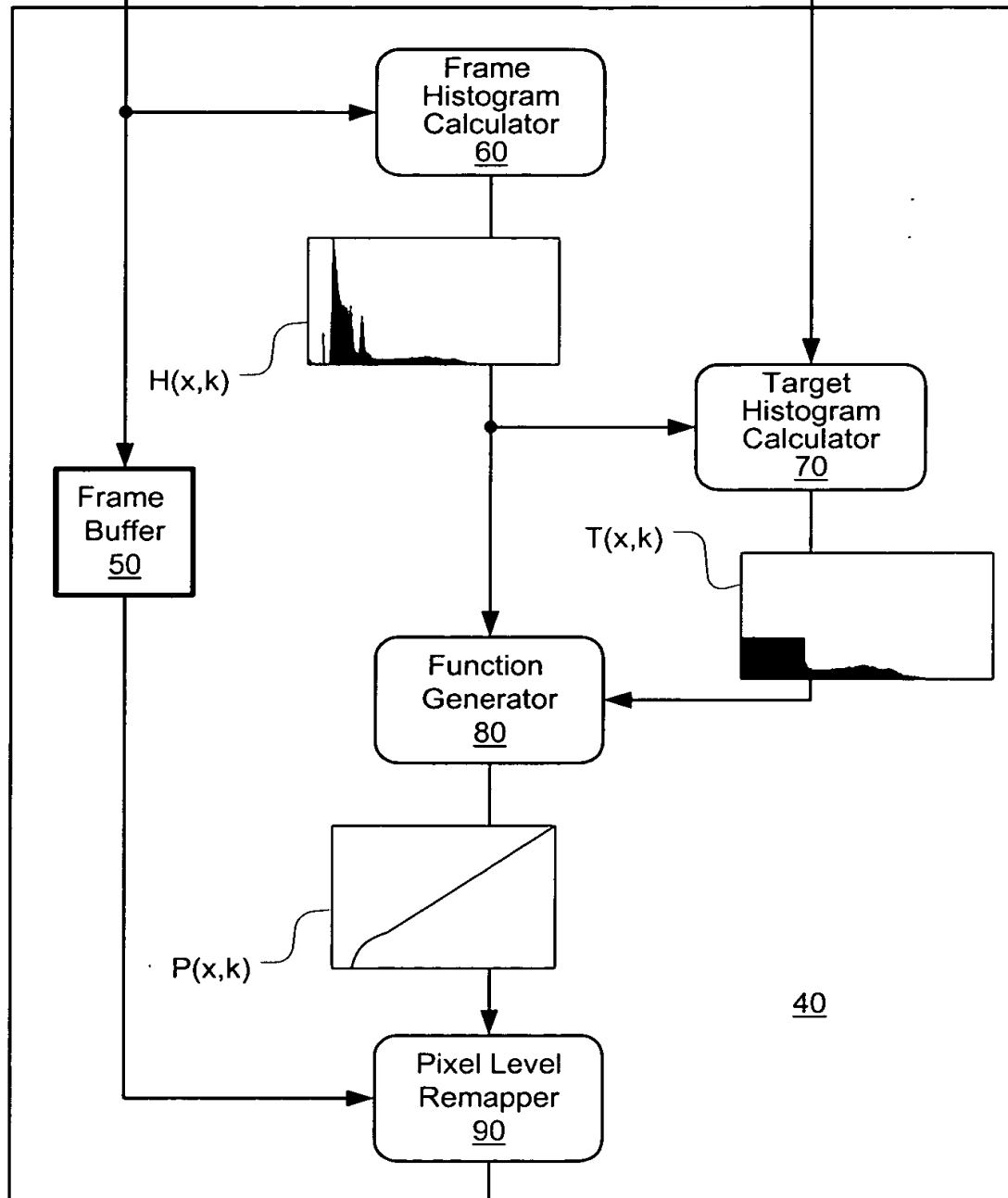


Fig. 6

Original  
Frame  $I(i,j,k)$

Fig. 7

Level Threshold  
 $T_L$



Output  
Frame  $O(i,j,k)$



Histogram of Output  
Frame  $O(x,k)$

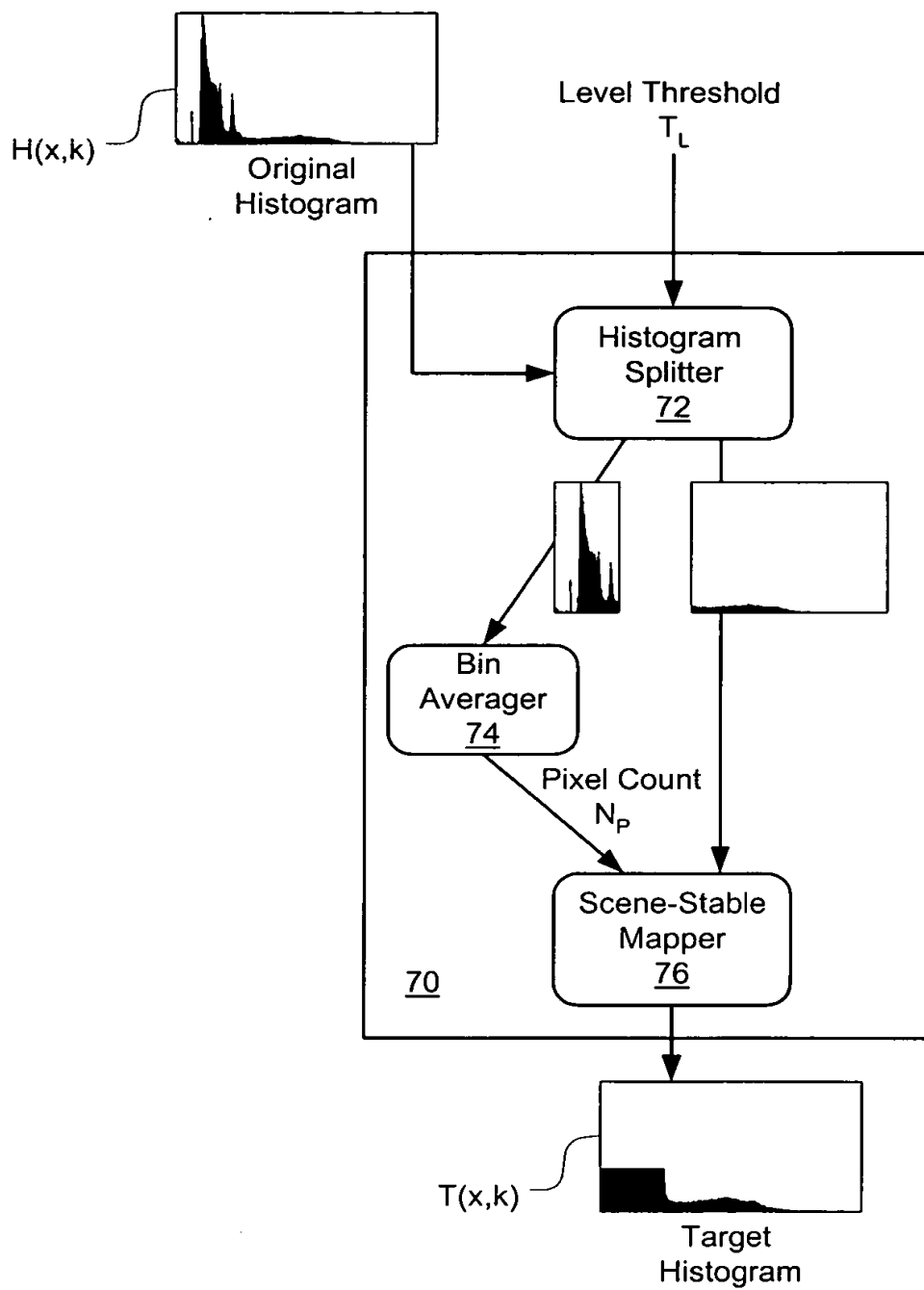
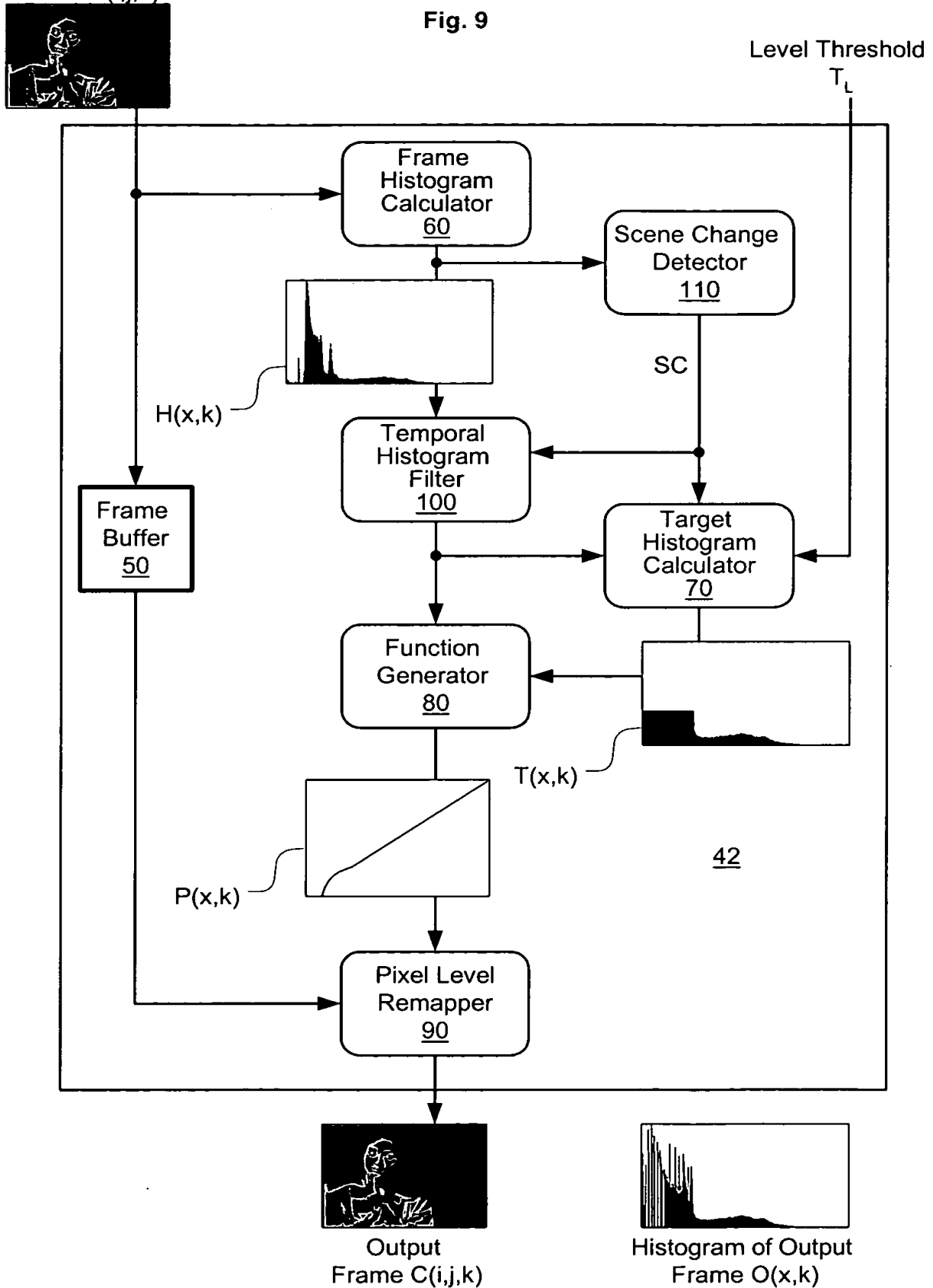


Fig. 8

Original  
Frame  $I(i,j,k)$

Fig. 9





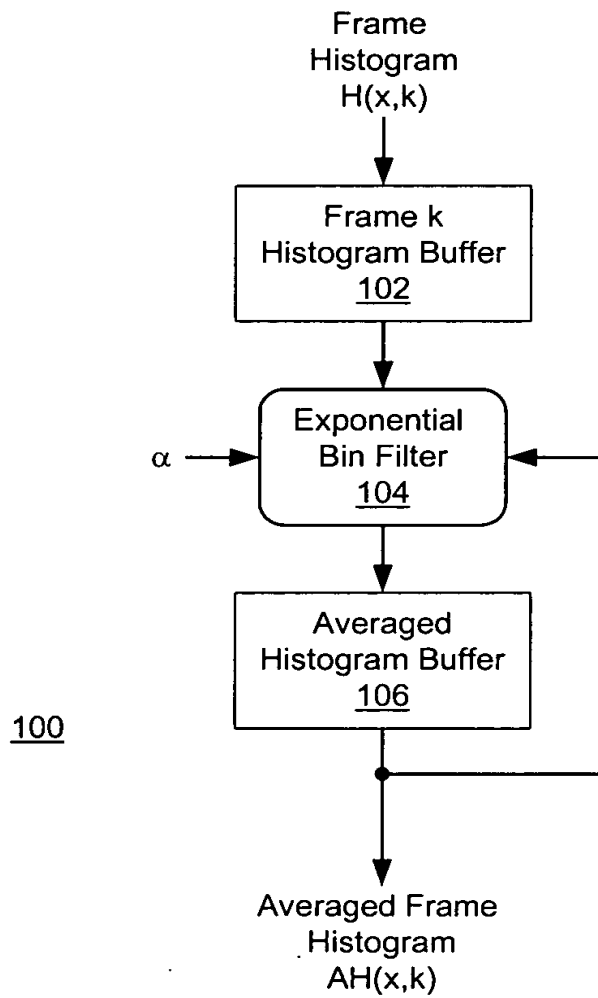


Fig. 10

**Fig. 11**

**Fig. 12**

**Fig. 13**

*(The following are the names of the persons who have been elected to the various offices of the Association, as reported by the Secretary.)*

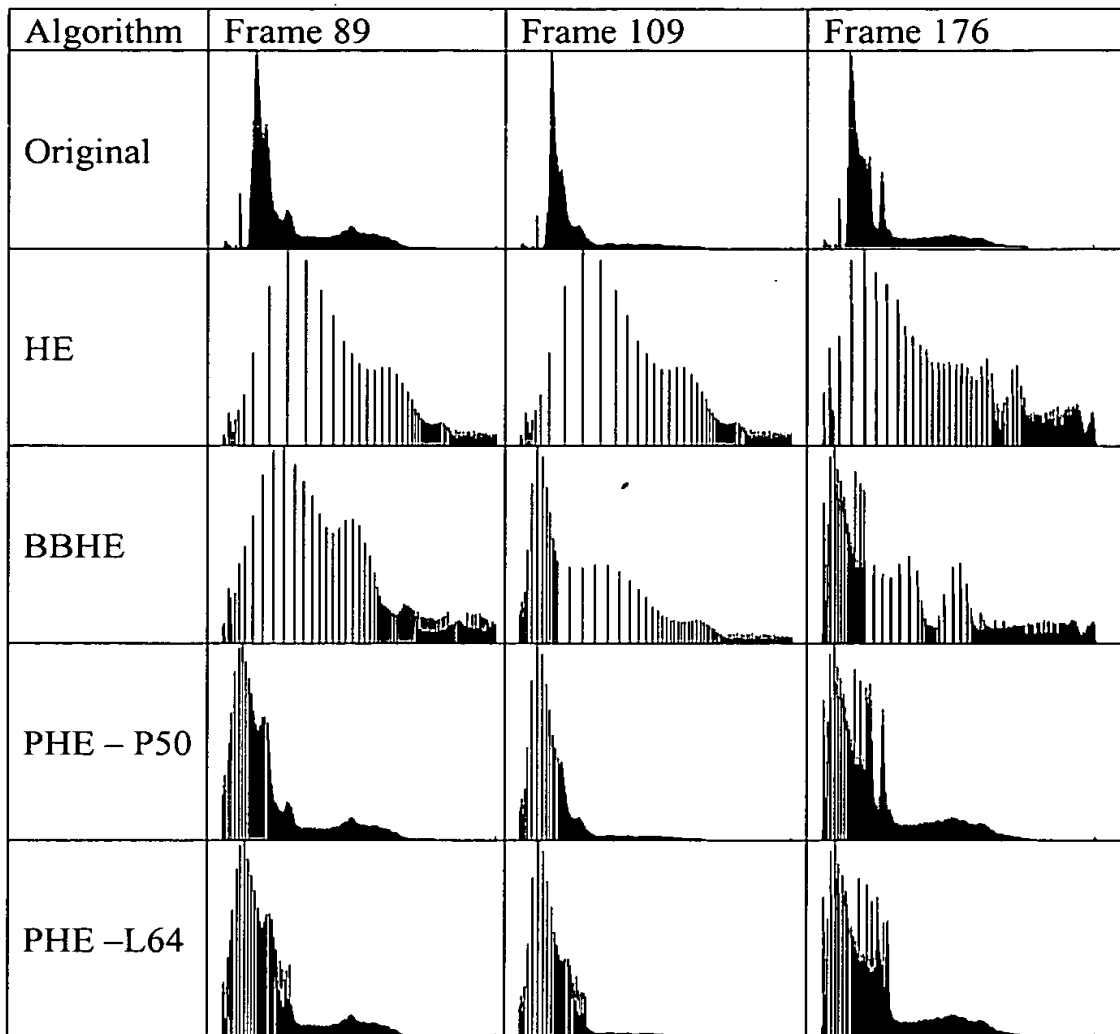


Fig. 14

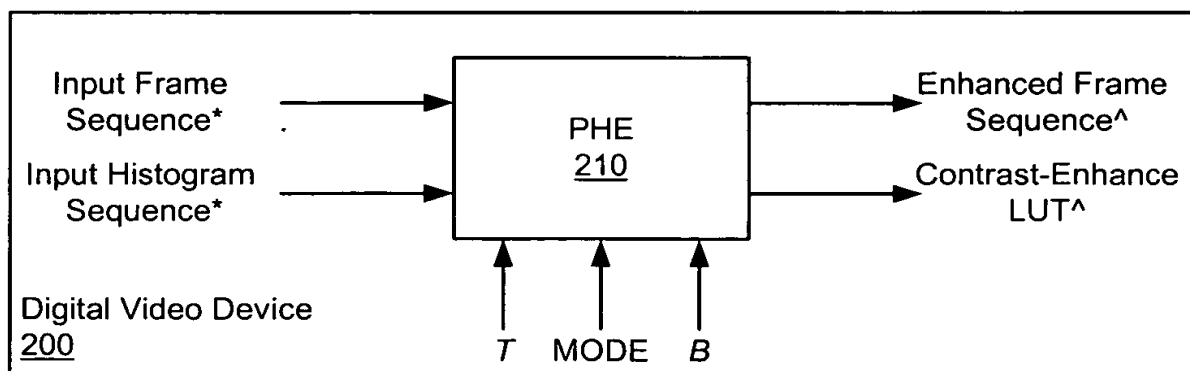


Fig. 15

\*, ^ Each Implementation Has at Least One of These Two Options